The Honorable Kevin J. Martin, Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Martin:

You will soon be appointing an individual to fill the Information Service Provider position on the board of the Universal Service Administrative Company, to fill the term from 2006-2009. Because of his broad experience and expertise, the National Electrical Contractors Association supports the application of Robert Rivera of Spectrum Communications Cabling Services and urges you to appoint him to fill this opening.

The National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) is the nationally-recognized organization speaking for the electrical construction industry. Our industry is comprised of over 63,000 electrical construction contracting firms, employing over 770,000 electrical workers, producing an annual volume of over \$125 billion. NECA's membership is organized into 119 chapters, located in nearly every state. NECA is dedicated to advancing the industry through continuing education, labor relations, marketing, management, government affairs, research, and information services.

Again, we urge your appointment of Robert Rivera to fill the open Information Service Provider slot on the board of the USAC. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely yours,

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